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For	: METHOD FOR CULTURING CELLS, CELL CULTURE CARRIERS AND CELL CULTURE APPARATUS	

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.112
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 4, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir :

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008 which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until May 4, 2008.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for two months to extend the period for response until July 7, 2008 (July 4, 2008 being a Holiday and July 5, 2008 being a Saturday), and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file, or the fee submitted herewith is deemed insufficient for any reason, the present submission should be interpreted to include the requisite Request for Extension of Time, and the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application, including any required extension of time fee or any required claim fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.